10/580692 MP9 Recht 2007 Wonderfried Man 20030

|                              |                 |           |      | A MARK WITH COUNTY AND THE PROPERTY OF THE PRO |                 |   |  |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|------|--|-----------------|---|--|
| Substitute for Form PTO-1449 |                 |           |      | Complete if Known  |                 |   |  |
|                              |                 |           |      | Application Number   | TBA             |   |  |
| INFORM A                     | TION DIS        | CLOSI     | IRE  | Confirmation Number  | TBA             | - |  |
| STATEME                      |                 |           |      | Filing Date  | May 26, 2006    |   |  |
| SIAIEME                      | ALDIAL          | LICA      | 1110 | First Named Inventor   | Shinsuke NAKANE |   |  |
| (use as m                    | any sheets as r | necessary | )    | Art Unit   | TBA             |   |  |
|                              |                 |           |      | Examiner Name  | ТВА             |   |  |
| Sheet                        | 1               | of        | 1    | Attorney Docket Number   | Q94603          |   |  |

| U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS |                          |          |                                   |                  |   |  |  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---|--|--|
| Examiner<br>Initials* | Cita                     | Document | Number                            | Publication Date |   |  |  |
|                       | Cite<br>No. <sup>1</sup> | Number   | Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known) | MM-DD-YYYY       | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document |  |  |
|                       | AA                       |          |                                   |                  |   |  |  |
|                       | AB                       |          |                                   |                  |   |  |  |
|                       | AC                       |          |                                   |                  |   |  |  |
|                       | AD                       |          |                                   |                  |   |  |  |
|                       | AE                       |          |                                   |                  | •   |  |  |
|                       | AF                       | <u> </u> |                                   |                  |   |  |  |
|                       | AG                       |          |                                   |                  |   |  |  |
|                       | AH                       |          |                                   |                  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·           |  |  |

|                       | FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS |                              |                     |                                   |                  |                                  |                          |  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Examiner<br>Initials* | Cite<br>No. <sup>1</sup> | Foreign Patent Document      |                     |                                   | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or              |                          |  |
|                       |                          | Country<br>Code <sup>3</sup> | Number <sup>4</sup> | Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known) | MM-DD-YYYY       | Applicant of Cited Document      | Translation <sup>6</sup> |  |
| /ACJ/                 | AI                       | JP                           | 7-502471            | A                                 | 03-16-1995       | Michelin et Co.                  | No                       |  |
| 8                     | AJ                       | JP                           | 7-90125             | A                                 | 04-04-1995       | Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.       | No                       |  |
| 9990X                 | AK                       | JP                           | 2002-52909          | Α                                 | 02-19-2002       | Sumitomo Rubber Industries, Ltd. | No                       |  |
|                       | AL                       | JP                           | 59-216710           | A                                 | 12-06-1984       | Bridgestone Corp.                | No                       |  |
|                       | AM                       | JP                           | 10-236115           | A                                 | 09-08-1998       | Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd.        | No                       |  |
| W                     | AN                       | JP                           | 2004-168244         | Α                                 | 06-17-2004       | Bridgestone Corp.                | No                       |  |
|                       | AO                       |                              |                     |                                   |                  |                                  |                          |  |
|                       | AP                       |                              |                     |                                   |                  |                                  |                          |  |
|                       | AQ                       |                              |                     |                                   |                  |                                  |                          |  |
|                       | AR                       |                              |                     |                                   |                  |                                  |                          |  |
|                       | AS                       |                              |                     |                                   |                  |                                  |                          |  |
|                       | AT                       |                              |                     |                                   |                  | _                                |                          |  |

| NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS  |    |  |                          |  |  |
|--|----|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| Examiner Cite Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item initials* No. 1 journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country |    |  | Translation <sup>6</sup> |  |  |
|  | AU |  |                          |  |  |
|  | ΑV |  |                          |  |  |
|  | AW |  |                          |  |  |
|  | AX |  |                          |  |  |
|  | AY |  |                          |  |  |
|  | AZ |  |                          |  |  |

|                     | /Adrienne C. Johnstone/ |                  | 10/08/2009 |
|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------|
| Examiner Signature: |                         | Date Considered: |            |

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup>See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a>, MPEP 901.04 or follow the hyperlink from the title of the document to the intranet. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST. 3). <sup>4</sup>For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup>Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to indicate here if English language translation is attached.